CHAPTER 7

A KAITO WHO ALMOST DIED IN AN EASY PUZZLE LIKE THIS ONE...
...IS NOT MY KAITO...
SFX: ZAA - WHOOSH

THIS PUZZLE IS TOO DIFFICULT!
AGH...WE COULDN'T SOLVE IT
AGREED!
LET'S COME HERE EVERY DAY UNTIL WE SOLVE IT!
SEKI KA - HOME
!?
AH, BY THE WAY, ABOUT THE WOODEN PUZZLE I WAS MAKING...

LEAVING THE PREMISES WITHOUT PERMISSION IS FORBIDDEN.
THIS WILL NOT DO, ROOK-SAMA.
YOU, TOO, SHOULD HURRY HOME NOW, BOY.
BUT... I...
GO, KAITO.

I DON'T WANT TO GO BACK THERE!
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SFX: PORO - DROP
UNHAND ME!
SUCH A BAD BOY.
SFX: KORO KORO - ROLL
SFX: GUI - GRAB
MY, MY... TO THINK THAT YOU'VE LEARNED THAT KIND OF EMOTION
WE WILL NEED TO RECONFIGURE THE PROGRAM, IT SEEMS
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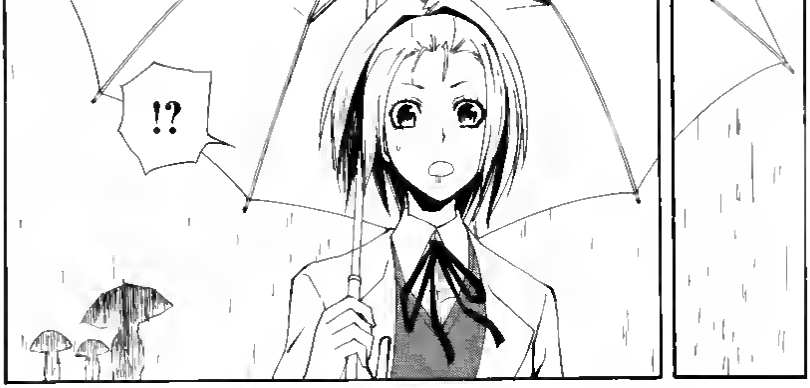
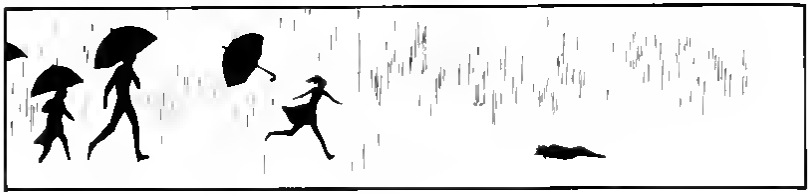
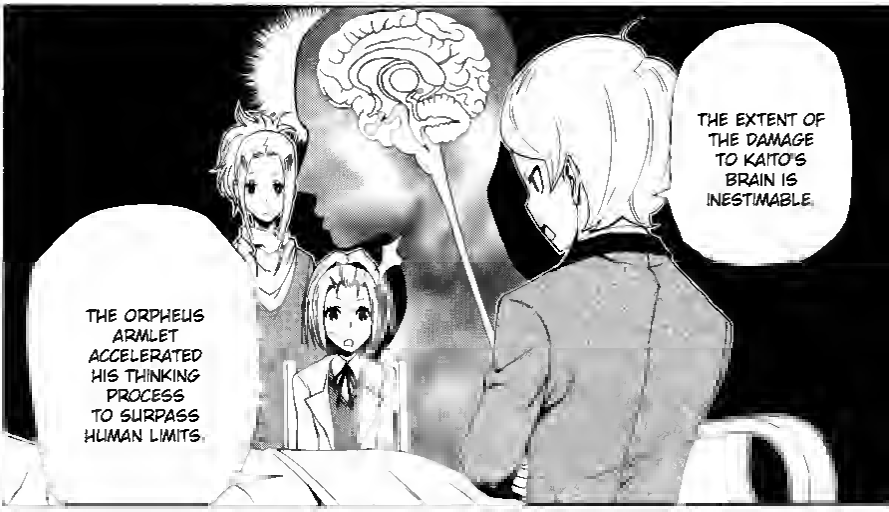
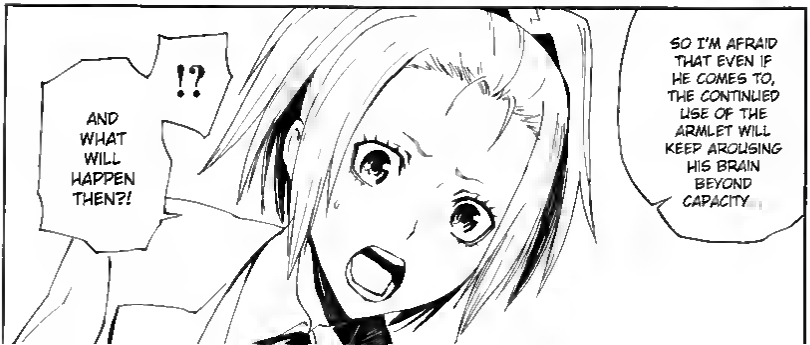
I'VE SAVED YOU THIS TIME.
BUT... THERE WON'T BE A SECOND TIME.





KAITO IS GOING TO BE OK, RIGHT, Q-CHAN?
HE TOOK ONLY MINOR PHYSICAL DAMAGE - BRUISES MOSTLY, SO NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT HERE.
HOWEVER...


THE EXTENT OF THE DAMAGE TO KAITO'S BRAIN IS INESTIMABLE.
THE ORPHEUS ARMLET ACCELERATED HIS THINKING PROCESS TO SURPASS HUMAN LIMITS.


SO I'M AFRAID THAT EVEN IF HE COMES TO, THE CONTINUED USE OF THE ARMLET WILL KEEP AROUSING HIS BRAIN BEYOND CAPACITY.
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AND WHAT WILL HAPPEN THEN?!

SFX GARA - RATTLE
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SO THOSE POG FUCKERS AREN'T BEYONG USING ANY MEANS TO OBTAIN THAT GODDAMN PUZZLE OF GOD, HUH?!
OH NO...
I DON'T KNOW... I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THAT BEFORE EITHER.
SFX GA - KICK

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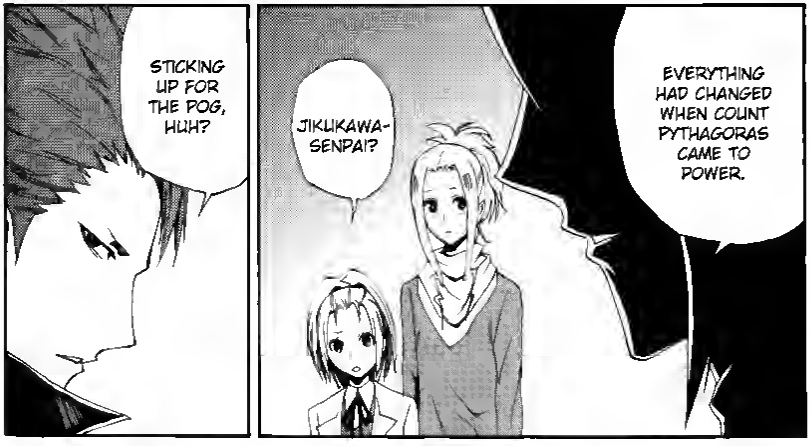
WHAT ISN'T?!
HUH?!
NO, THAT ISN'T LIKE THAT.

ORIGINALLY, THE POG WAS AN ORGANIZATION THAT TOOK THE CLIENT'S WISHES INTO ACCOUNT AND PREPARED A SUITABLE PUZZLE.


STICKING UP FOR THE POG, HUH?
JIKUKAWA-SENPAI?
EVERYTHING HAD CHANGED WHEN COUNT PYTHAGORAS CAME TO POWER.

YES, BECAUSE ME AND THE PRINCIPAL...
...ARE MEMBERS OF THE POG...
TO BE EXACT, WE'RE MEMBERS OF SECTION PHI - A DIVISION RESPONSIBLE FOR RAISING CHILDREN WITH THE POTENTIAL TO BECOME PHI BRAINS.

SFX: GA
SFX: GRAB
SO YOU BASTARDS HAVE BEEN USING US ALL ALONG, IS THAT IT?!
GAMMON-KUN, CALM DOWN!
...I WON'T DENY IT...

HOWEVER, BOTH ME AND THE PRINCIPAL HAVE BEEING QUESTIONING COUNT PYTHAGORAS' WAY OF HANDLING THINGS.
THAT'S WHY WE ONLY PRETENDED TO FOLLOW HIS ORDERS...
THEN KAITO...
...IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE GOD SCROLL BEFORE THE COUNT DOES
AND ERASE IT FROM EXISTENCE.

YOU PUT KAITO'S LIFE IN DANGER,
MAKING HIM CHALLENGE DEADLY PUZZLES JUST FOR THAT?!
SHAMELESSLY USING THE FACT THAT KAITO IS A PUZZLE OBSESSED MORON WHO CAN'T LEAVE ANY PUZZLE IN SIGHT UNSOLVED, IS THAT IT...?!
NONOHA... EVEN IF KAITO HAD KNOWN THE TRUTH,
HE'D STILL HAVE GONE TO SOLVE THAT PUZZLE ANYWAY.
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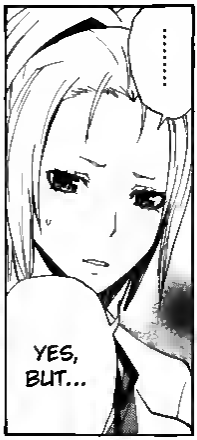
WHAT ARE YOU ALL SAYING ...?!
I AGREE WITH HIM
NONOHA, YOU SAID IT YOURSELF.
ANA AGREES AS WELL.



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HOTLINE - TWILI

SENPAI, BOTH YOU AND THE PRINCIPAL ARE MORONS, TOO.
YOU SHOULD'VE JUST ASKED THE GREAT ME RIGHT FROM THE START.

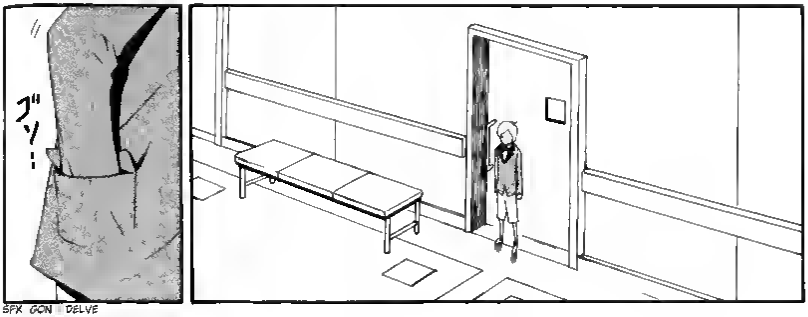
AS LONG AS THERE'S MONEY IN IT FOR ME, I'LL DO WHATEVER PUZZLES YOU ASK ME -
BE IT SAGE PUZZLES OR FOOL'S PUZZLES.

BUT... SITTING AROUND HERE AIN'T GONNA MAKE ME ANY DOUGH.
SO I'M GOING BACK.
TELL KAITO WHEN HE WAKES UP...

GAMMON-KUN!
I'LL BE ON MY WAY AS WELL.
...ORDINARY MORONS SHOULD STAY IN BED.

Q-CHAN!

KAITO THOUGHT NOTHING OF RUNNING OFF TO ENGLAND ON ME, LEAVING ME BEHIND.
FOOLISH KAITO.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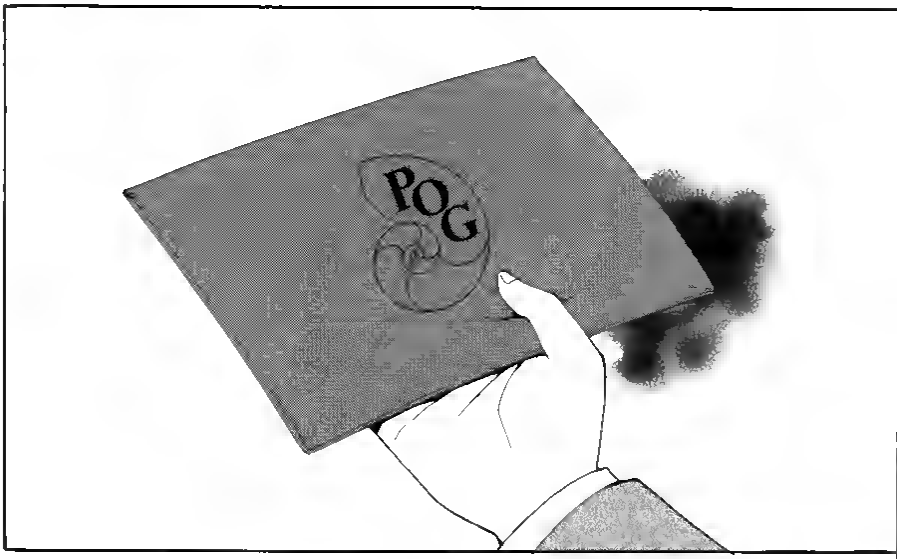
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WHAT A COINCIDENCE

AFTER KAITO, THEY'RE GOING FOR US, HUH.
KAITO REALLY IS A MORON.
EVEN IF THAT GUY IS A CHILDHOOD FRIEND, SO READILY LEAVING WITH A POG MEMBER - AND NOT JUST ANY MEMBER, A HIGH RANKED EXECUTIVE! - IS BEYOND STUPID.
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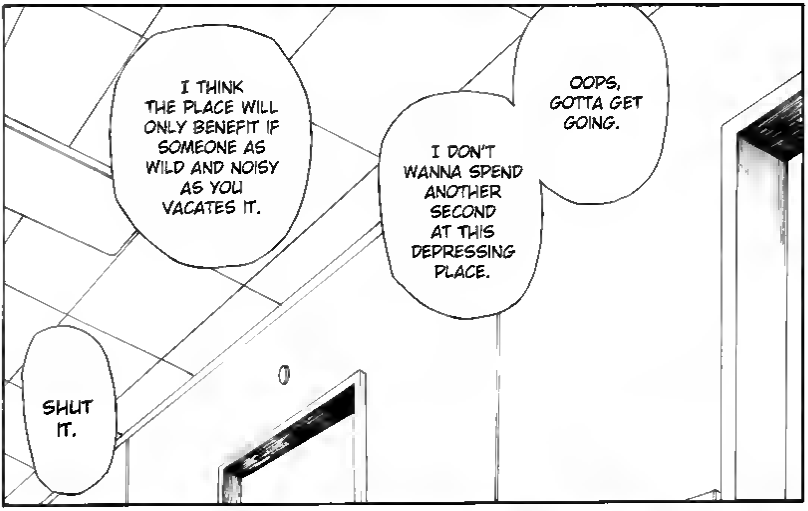
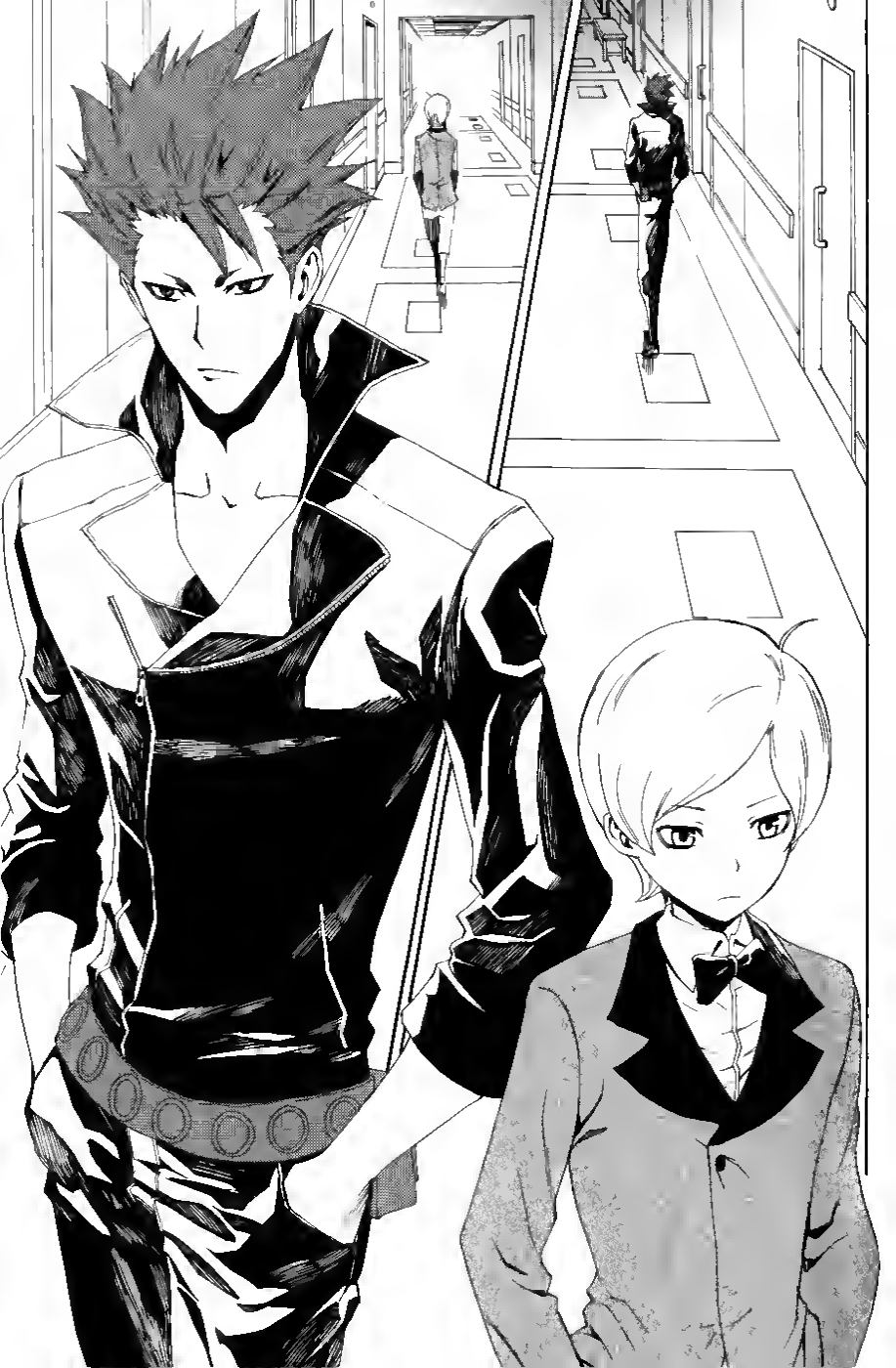
YOU'RE GOING, RIGHT?
GAMMON, YOU REALLY CARE ABOUT K---
HUH?!
I DON'T GIVE A FLYING FUCK ABOUT KAITO!

LOOKS LIKE IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO GET ALONG, AFTER ALL.
HEH. SORRY TO BURST YOUR BUBBLE IF YOU THOUGHT WE WERE FRIENDS.
I'VE NEVER ONCE CONSIDERED YOU ONE.


OOPS, GOTTA GET GOING.
I DON'T WANNA SPEND ANOTHER SECOND AT THIS DEPRESSING PLACE.
I THINK THE PLACE WILL ONLY BENEFIT IF SOMEONE AS WILD AND NOISY AS YOU VACATES IT.
SHUT IT.

...SEE YA, CUBIC.
YES, SEE YOU.



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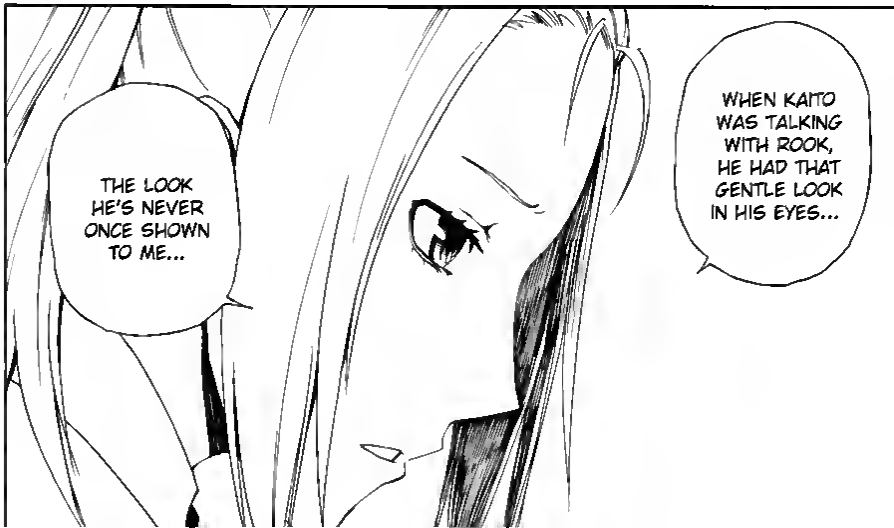
WHEN KAITO WAS TALKING WITH ROOK, HE HAD THAT GENTLE LOOK IN HIS EYES...
THE LOOK HE'S NEVER ONCE SHOWN TO ME...

IT WAS AS IF KAITO FROZE IN THE TIME HE SPENT WITH HIS CHILDHOOD FRIEND...
THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT LOOKING AT KAITO'S SMILING FACE UPON HIS REUNION WITH ROOK-KUN.
SO WHY ROOK-KUN...
ANA SHOULD GO, TOO.
EH?
ME, ANA, THINKS...
...THAT AT THIS RATE THE SUN MIGHT FADE AWAY.

BUT THE FEELINGS AND MEMORIES WON'T.
NO MATTER HOW YOU REPAINT IT WITH NEW COLORS, THE OLD COLORS STILL REMAIN...
NO DOUBT ABOUT IT.

ROOK-SAMA.
SFX
PA - TURN ON
THEY HAVE ARRIVED.

Here I was wondering where I should start on my quest to avenge Kaito
What a great opportunity!
Welcome to the Fool's puzzle known as 'Decapitation Labirynth', Galileo!
Hey, you, Da Vinci! Listen to what people are telling you!!!
ROOK-SAMA, AS YOU HAD ORDERED,
WE HAVE SUCCESSFULLY MADE 'GALILEO', 'EDISON' AND 'DA VINCI' PART WAYS WITH DAIMON KAITO.

THOSE THREE ARE NOTHING MORE THAN FUNGI, STICKING TO KAITO.
AND ALSO--
FU FU FU...
IF WE SCRAPE THEM OFF AND MAKE THEM FALL, KAITO'S TRUE ABILITY CAN BE BROUGHT FORTH.
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FX: KACHA - CLICK
THE TWO OF US ARE THE ONLY ONES WHO SHOULD BE CONNECTED THOUGH PUZZLES...
ROOK... SAMA..?

ONLY ME AND KAITO...
WE NEED NOT ANYONE ELSE